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E.O. 11652: NA

TAGS: ETRN IR

SUBJ: PORT CONGESTION SURCHARGE - PORT OF BANDAR SHAHPUR

REF: STATE 119329

1. DURING MAY 17 VESSELS DISCHARGED TOTAL 122,341 TONS OF CARGO AT BANDAR SHAHPUR. WAITING TIME FOR GENERAL CARGO VESSELS RANGED FROM 1-8 DAYS AND FOR BULK CARRIERS FROM 15-35 DAYS. DURING PAST YEAR PORT'S CARGO HANDLING CAPABILITIES HAVE NOT CHANGED BUT WAITING TIME FOR SHIPS HAS INCREASED.

2. PORT HAS SIX BERTHS. HOWEVER ONE BERTH IS UNDER REPAIR AND HAS BEEN CLOSED FOR ABOUT TWO YEARS. TWO BERTHS HAVE ROTTEN PLANKS AND ARE IN GENERALLY POOR CONDITION.

3. WORK ON FOUR NEW BERTHS WEST OF EXISTING JETTIES IN PROGRESS AND AUTHORITIES HOPE THEY WILL BE COMPLETED BY END OF 1975. AN ADDITIONAL TEN BERTHS ARE PLANNED FOR COMPLETION BY END OF 1979. THIS WILL GIVE BANDAR SHAHPUR

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TOTAL OF 20 BERTHS AND PROJECTED ANNUAL CARGO HANDLING

CAPABILITY OF 10 MILLION TONS.

4. COMMENT: SHORT TERM PROSPECTS FOR PORT ARE BLEAK AND WE EXPECT WAITING PERIOD FOR SHIPS TO INCREASE. NO REAL IMPROVEMENT CAN BE EXPECTED UNTIL THE NEW BERTHS ARE COMPLETED. TARGET DATES OF 1975 AND 1979 SEEM OVERLY OPTIMISTIC BECAUSE WORK IS ALREADY BEHIND SCHEDULE AND HAS BEEN HAMPERED BY SHORTAGES OF WOOD AND CEMENT. SHIPPERS SAY PORT IS POORLY ADMINISTERED AND THERE IS A LACK OF MODERN EQUIPMENT, RAILROAD CARS, WAREHOUSES AND TRUCKS.

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